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Cuban Party and Gov't Delegation Arrives in Pyongyang

Premier Kim Il Sung shaking hands with President Osvaldo Dorticos Torrado at the Pyongyang airport (Oct. 26)

The Cuban party and government delegation receiving warm welcome of Pyongyang citizens along the streets (Oct. 26)

PYONGYANG, Oct. 26 (KCNA)—A party and government delegation of the Republic of Cuba arrived in Pyongyang on Oct. 26 for a goodwill visit at the invitation of the Central Committee of the Korean Workers' Party and the Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea. It was accorded a rousing and friendly welcome by more than 200,000 Pyongyang citizens.

The delegation led by Osvaldo Dorticos Torrado, President of the Republic of Cuba and Member of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the Cuban Communist Party, consists of Raul Castro Ruz, Political Bureau Member and Second Secretary of the Central Committee of the Cuban Communist Party and Vice-premier and Minister of the Revolutionary Armed Forces of the Revolutionary Government of Cuba, and Sergio Del Valle, Political Bureau Member of the Central Committee of the Cuban Communist Party and Vice-minister of the Revolutionary Armed Forces of the Revolutionary Government of Cuba, and suite members.

The Cuban guests were met at the airfield by Kim Il Sung, General Secretary of the Central Committee of the Korean Workers' Party and Premier of the Cabinet; Choi Yong Kun, Secretary of the Korean Workers' Party and President of the Presidium of the Supreme People's Assembly, and other Party and Government leaders as well as thousands of citizens.

The 21 gun salute was followed by a grand welcome ceremony. President Osvaldo Dorticos and members of the delegation in company with Premier Kim Il Sung and President Choi Yong Kun reviewed a guard of honour of three armed services of the Korean People's Army.

President Choi Yong Kun and President Osvaldo Dorticos exchanged speeches at the airport.

The festively decorated streets resounded with deafening cheers of the welcoming crowds as the motorcade moved for the Guest House.

By DPRK Foreign Ministry Spokesman

Statement Issued

PYONGYANG, Oct. 26 (KCNA)—A spokesman for the Foreign Ministry of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea on Oct. 26 issued a statement censuring the "Manila Conference."

The statement reads in part:

The U.S. imperialists, together with their satellite countries and puppets in Asia and Oceania, held the so-called "Manila Summit Conference" of the countries participating in the war of aggression on Vietnam in Manila, the capital of the Philippines, on Oct. 24 and 25.

At the "Confernece," they "examined" the critical military and political situation of Vietnam and "discussed" a number of aggressive plans such as the "peaceful settlement" of the war in Vietnam, "guarantees for regional security" and "international cooperation."

The "Conference" was an attempt of the U.S. imperialists to recover from their setbacks by further escalating the Vietnam war and a farce for covering up their criminal machination under the veil of "peace."

At present, the U.S. imperialists are suffering from serious political and military setbacks in the Vietnam war and slipping into an inextricable pit. They are trying to extricate themselves from their ignominious defeats in Vitenam by means of new war escalation manoeuvres.

The U.S. imperialists have already hurled 330,000 U.S. troops and tens of thousand of troops of their satellite countries and puppets into South Vietnam, and are scheming to intensify the bestial "scorched-earth operation" by reinforcing the U.S. troops up to 500,000 or above in the future.

At the same time, they are stepping up barbarous bombing of towns and villages, peaceful residential quarters, schools, hospitals and reservoirs and public and cultural facilities of the Vietnam Democratic Republic and extending it even to the Hanoi and Haiphong areas.

This shows that their "war escalation" manoeuvres in Vietnam have reached a new, crucial stage.

The so-salled "Manila Conference" rigged up by the U.S. imperialists was an extension of the notorious "Honolulu Conference" held to expand the Vietnam war on a full-fledged scale and of the "Seoul Ministerial Meeting" which was designed to frame up an all-inclusive "anti-communist military alliance" by whipping together their puppets in Asia and Pacific regions.

Through the "Manila Conference" the U.S. imperialists tried to hatch a scheme to recover from the setbacks in the "dry season offensive" and "rainy season offensive" which were undertaken in line with the decision of the "Honolulu Conference" and to further expand the Vietnam war, force the satellite countries and puppets to supply more mercenary troops for the Viet-

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Joint Statement

Newspapers in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea published on Nov. 1 a joint statement of the Party and Government delegations of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the Republic of Cuba. **The full text of the joint statement is printed on page 4 of this paper.**

Premier Kim Il Sung Arranges

Banquet for Cuban Guests

Premier Kim Il Sung arranged a banquet on Oct. 26 in honour of the visiting party and government delegation of the Republic of Cuba, KCNA reported.

Invited to the banquet were President Osvaldo Dorticos Torrado, delegation leader, and all other delegation members.

Cuban Ambassador to Korea Lazaro Vigoa and diplomatic representatives of foreign countries in Pyongyang were also invited.

Present at the banquet were President Choi Yong Kun; First Vice-premier Kim Il; Pak Keum Chul and Li Hyo Soon, Secretaries of the Korean Workers' Party Central Committee; Vice-premiers Kim Kwang Hyup, Kim Chang Bong, Pak Sung Chul; and many other highly-placed Korean Party and Government leaders.

Premier Kim Il Sung and President Osvaldo Dorticos Torrado exchanged speeches at the banquet.

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Cuban Delegation Decorated

The Presidium of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea on Oct. 28 decided to confer the Order of National Flag First Class upon President Osvaldo Dorticos Torrado and Vice-premier Raul Castro Ruz, according to news dispatch from Pyongyang.

The Order of Freedom and Independence First Class was conferred on Sergio del Valle, Vice-minister of the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Cuba.

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Premier Kim Il Sung's Speech

Follows the full text of the speech delivered by Kim Il Sung, Premier of the Cabinet of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and General Secretary of the Central Committee of the Korean Workers' Party, at the banquet arranged by the Premier for welcoming the visiting party and government delegation of the Republic of Cuba:

Respected Comrade Osvaldo Dorticos Torrado,

Respected Comrade Raul Castro Ruz,

Dear Comrades and Friends,

We are immensely happy today to get together here in our capital city of Pyongyang with envoys of the friendly Cuban people including Comrade Osvaldo Dorticos Torrado and Comrade Raul Castro Ruz in an atmosphere of overflowing cordiality and friendship.

Allow me to express warm welcome to the party and government delegation of the Republic of Cuba on behalf of the Central Committee of the Korean Workers' Party, the Government of the Republic and the entire Korean people.

Cuba is far away from our country. But the two Parties, the two Governments and the two peoples are closely linked with each other by unbreakable ties of fraternal friendship which we always feel in our hearts.

The Korean people watch with great interest the revolutionary struggle of the Cuban people and their cause of socialist construction, and rejoice over their achievements.

The victory of the Cuban revolution, as the first victory of socialist revolution won at the very doorstep of the United States, was a historic event that brought about a new turning point in the revolutionary struggle of Latin America.

We consider the victory of the Cuban revolution a continuation of the Great October Revolution in Latin America. The Republic of Cuba is a base of revolution in Latin America.

The U.S. imperialists and their lackeys feel uneasy about the constant growth and strengthening of the invincible vitality of the Cuban revolution and the increasing influence of Cuba on the revolutionary struggles of the Latin American peoples. So, they persist in aggression, all kinds of subversion and sabotage in an attempt to strangle the Cuban revolution.

The people of Cuba, however, solidly rallied around the Communist Party of Cuba, and Revolutionary Government headed by Comrade Fidel Castro, are firmly safeguarding their revolutionary gains and successfully building socialism, frustrating repeated aggressive manoeuvres of the U.S. imperialists.

The victory of the Cuban revolution and the achievements scored by the Cuban people in their socialist construction inspire the revolutionary struggles of the Latin American peoples still more powerfully.

We regard it as a sacred internationalist duty for the nations in the socialist camp to defend the Cuban revolution at a time when the aggressive manoeuvres of the U.S. imperialists against Cuba are becoming more and more intensified. All the socialist countries should support the revolutionary struggle of the Cuban people in every way and respect the policies of the Communist Party of Cuba with regard to the revolution and construction in Cuba.

Premier Kim Il Sung

The Korean Workers' Party and the Korean people resolutely condemn the aggressive manoeuvres of the U.S. imperialists against Cuba. We fully support the heroic struggle of the Cuban people to safeguard their revolutionary gains and build socialism. The just cause of the Cuban people which enjoys active support of all the socialist countries and progressive peoples all over the world is invincible and ever victorious.

The present situation demands that the unity of the socialist camp and the solidarity of the international communist movement be strengthened more than ever before.

The U.S.-led imperialists are ever more desperately clinging to the policies of aggression and war to oppose the socialist countries and national independent countries and suppress the national liberation movement in order to save themselves from doom.

In Asia the U.S. imperialists expand their war of aggression against the Vietnamese people every day.

The U.S. aggression in Vietnam has laid bare the brigandish nature of U.S. imperialism as the chieftain of world reaction, the aggressive acts of U.S. imperialism are not only an aggression against the Vietnamese people but also an aggression against the whole socialist camp. They are a challenge to the national liberation movement and a threat to world peace.

The world can not live in tranquility unless the U.S. imperialist aggression in Vietnam is frustrated.

The socialist camp, the international communist movement, the working class movement, the national liberation movement and democratic movement should unite their forces in positively supporting the just national salvation struggle of the Vietnamese people against aggression, and smashing the U.S. imperialist aggression in Vietnam.

In order to maintain peace and ensure the victory of the cause of national independence and socialism, we should deal blows at U.S. imperialism, kick it out and bind it hand and foot so as to prevent it from

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President O. Dorticos's Speech

Follows the full text of the speech made by Osvaldo Dorticos Torrado, President of the Republic of Cuba and Member of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Cuba, at the banquet given for welcoming the Cuban party and government delegation which arrived in Pyongyang on Oct. 26:

Dear Comrade Kim Il Sung,

Dear Comrades Members of the Party Central Committee,

Dear comrades leaders of the Government,

Comrades, Your Excellencies,

A few hours ago, we arrived in this country.

Though we have been here only a few hours, we have been able to feel the revolutionary and fraternal sentiments of the Korean people.

Allow me, first of all, to express thanks for the warm welcome accorded our delegation.

We have heard with greatest attention the speech Comrade Kim Il Sung delivered at this place just now.

Comrade Kim Il Sung's remarks are powerful support to the Cuban revolution.

Comrade Kim Il Sung,

We express gratitude to you for the solidarity you have expressed toward Cuba.

The Cuban people highly appraise the solidarity the Korean people express toward the Cuban revolution.

We must mention the relations of everlasting, deep friendship established between Korea and Cuba.

The friendship between the peoples of the two countries is a friendship based on the firm communist and revolutionary conviction.

Our country is exposed to the constant menace of aggression from the imperialists.

The Cuban people will unfailingly repay with courage and valour the solidarity manifested by the Korean people toward Cuba.

You may rest assured that under any circumstances we will hold fast to the revolutionary principles of Marxism-Leninism.

Under the present situation in which the U.S. imperialists are committing aggression against Vietnam, we share the view with you that the unity of the international communist movement and the revolutionary forces is essential for strengthening the assistance to the Vietnamese people.

We are a people of a small country. But our people, as Comrade Fidel Castro declared, are ready to shed our blood for assisting the Vietnamese people.

Similarly, we will shed our blood for the Korean people, if the situation demands.

This is because we are communists.

President Osvaldo Dorticos

Because we are communists, we support the national liberation movement.

Because we are communists, we support the cause of the Korean people and their struggle for realizing the unification of their country on their own.

The friendship between the peoples of Korea and Cuba, between the Parties of the two countries is unbreakable.

This friendship is based on the loyalty to the principle of Marxism-Leninism as well as on the purity of the relations between us.

I am convinced that our visit will make for furthering this bond of friendship.

The relations of friendship between the peoples and state leaders of the two countries will further develop in the future.

Because we have to fight on for realizing the ideal of communism.

I should like to celebrate this friendship.

I congratulate the Korean people upon their success in socialist construction.

Availing myself of this opportunity, I convey to you the friendly sentiments Comrade Fidel Castro, supreme leader of our people, extends to the people and leaders of Korea.

Wishing all nations complete victory in the revolution, I propose a toast to the health of Comrade Kim Il Sung, and all other leaders of this great country and to the health of diplomats and all comrades present here.

Long live the friendship between the peoples of Korea and Cuba!

Thank you.

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nam war and to boost their low morale.

At this "conference," too, the U.S. imperialists and their puppets tried to cover up their aggressive nature, clamouring about the "peaceful settlement" of the Vietnam question.

But it is a hackneyed method of the U.S. imperialists to raise the smokescreen of "peace" before escalating the war.

With no wily trick, however, can the U.S. imperialists cover up the aggressive nature of the "conference."

The U.S. imperialists' manoeuvres for the expansion of the war in Vietnam and their policy of aggression on Asia are inviting the powerful protest and denunciation of the peoples of the socialist countries and the peace-loving people the world over.

The Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the entire Korean people strongly condemn the aggressive "Manila Conference" and will wage a resolute struggle for smashing the U.S. imperialists' policy of war.

If the U.S. imperialists doggedly escalate the war of aggression in defiance of the repeated warnings and strong denunciation of the Vietnamese people and the revolutionary people of the world, it will only hasten their doom.

The nation-wide war of resistance the Vietnamese people are now waging against U.S. imperialism and for national salvation is a just struggle for freedom and independence and a sacred struggle for defending the socialist camp, upholding the national liberation revolution and safeguarding peace in Asia and the world.

The countries of the socialist camp and the anti-imperialist forces throughout the world should pool their strength and do everything in their power for dealing collective counterblows to the U.S. imperialist aggressors and assisting the fighting Vietnamese people.

The Korean people will render every possible form of assistance to the Vietnamese people till they completely wipe out the U.S. imperialist aggressors and are fully prepared to send volunteers at any time when the Government of the Vietnam Democratic Republic requests.

100,000-man Pyongyang Mass Rally for Welcoming Cuban Delegation

Premier Kim Il Sung (Centre) and the distinguished Cuban guests, acknowledging the cheers of the welcoming Pyongyang citizens (Oct. 27)

View of the Pyongyang Mass Rally held on Oct. 27 at the Moranbong Stadium, Pyongyang, to welcome the Cuban party and government delegation

More than 100,000 people gathered on Oct. 27 at the Moranbong Stadium in Pyongyang to give a rousing welcome to the party and government delegation of the Republic of Cuba, according to a Korean Central News Agency report from Pyongyang.

The crowd with Korean and Cuban national flags and bouquets in hands chanted slogans welcoming the guests and shouted "Cuba si, Yankee no!"

Premier Kim Il Sung and President Choi Yong Kun appeared on the rostrum with President Osvaldo Dorticos Torrado and Vice-premier and Defense Minister Raul Castro Ruz.

The crowd broke into the shouts: "Long live Comrade Kim Il Sung!" "Long live Comrade Fidel Castro!" "Long live the Korean Workers' Party!" "Long live the Cuban Communist Party!" "Long live the militant friendship and solidarity between the Korean and Cuban peoples!" "Support to the heroic struggle of the Cuban people against the U.S. imperialist aggressors!"

Thousands of balloons soared into the sky when the slogan "Warm welcome to the Cuban guests!" fringed with flowers appeared on the background.

Sergio Del Valle, member of the delegation, and other Cuban guests came onto the rostrum amid the unabated ovation of the crowd.

President Choi Yong Kun and Vice-premier and Defense Minister Raul Castro made speeches at the rally. Their speeches were punctuated frequently by the applause and cheers of the crowd.

President Choi Yong Kun's Speech

Follows the partial text of the speech made by Choi Yong Kun, President of the Presidium of the DPRK Supreme People's Assembly, at the Pyongyang Citizens Mass Rally:

President Choi Yong Kun

Esteemed Comrade Osvaldo Dorticos Torrado,

Esteemed Comrade Raul Castro Ruz,

Dear comrades of the Cuban delegation,

Dear comrades and friends,

We gathered here today with a happy feeling to welcome the distinguished envoy of the heroic Cuban people.

In the name of the Central Committee of the Korean Workers' Party, the Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the entire Korean people, I once again warmly welcome the comrades of the Cuban party and government delegation.

Availing myself of this opportunity overflowing with the feeling of fraternal friendship I convey warm, militant salute of our Party and people to the Cuban Communist Party headed by Comrade Fidel Castro and to the fraternal Cuban people.

The visit of the party and government delegation of the Republic of Cuba to our country is another clear manifestation of the unbreakable friendship and solidarity between the peoples of Korea and Cuba which is consolidating and developing as the days go by. This is a great inspiration to our people in the struggle for socialist construction and for the self-dependent unification of the country.

Our people, meeting the envoy of the Cuban people, are filled with ardent friendly sentiments toward the Cuban people who are fighting on the common front

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Vice-Premier Raul Castro's Speech

Follows the partial text of the speech made by Raul Castro Ruz, Vice-premier of the Republic of Cuba, at the Pyongyang Citizens Mass Rally:

Vice-premier Raul Castro Ruz

Dear Comrade Kim Il Sung, loyal friend of the Cuban people,

Comrades leaders of the Central Committee and Political Committee of the Korean Workers' Party,

Working people of Korea,

Comrades leaders of the Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea,

Comrades diplomatic representatives,

Dear friends of Korea,

We delegates of the Cuban people have witnessed from the first moment we arrived in Pyongyang yesterday firm manifestations of the warm and fraternal friendship the leaders and people of Korea cherish towards the Cuban people.

The peoples of our two countries are separated from each other by a distance of thousands of kilometres, for we live on the opposite sides

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running wild in all regions and on all fronts where it is.

Once all the socialist countries and the peace-loving forces of the world deal a decisive blow at it in firm unity, U.S. imperialism will be doomed like the sun setting in the west and the revolutionary movement in Asia, Africa and Latin America will upsurge greatly.

Comrades,

Both the Korean and Cuban peoples stand face to face with U.S. imperialism, the common enemy, and are fighting to safeguard their revolutionary gains and bring victory to the cause of socialism. In this common struggle the peoples of our two countries have become intimate brothers and comrades-in-arms who closely work together.

The relations of friendship and co-operation between our two peoples are developing day by day for their earnest desire to help each other on the principle of proletarian internationalism. This constitutes an example of relations of friendship and co-operation among the socialist countries and the fraternal parties.

We will, in the future too, make all possible efforts to render active support to the righteous stand of the Communist Party of Cuba fighting for the final triumph of the Cuban revolution and the just cause of the Cuban people.

The Communist Party, the Revolutionary Government and the people of Cuba are actively supporting our people in their struggle to get the U.S. imperialist aggression forces out of South Korea and realize the independent unification of the country and are giving whole-hearted assistance to us in socialist construction.

For this, I would like to express our gratitude to the Communist Party, the Government and the people of Cuba in the name of the Central Committee of the Korean Workers' Party, the Government of the Republic and the entire Korean people.

The current visit of the party and government delegation of Cuba led by Comrade Osvaldo Dorticos Torrado to our country is of epoch-making significance in further promoting the militant relations of friendship and co-operation established between the peoples of the two countries.

Our people greatly treasure friendship and solidarity with the fraternal Cuban people.

We will always march forward firmly hand in hand with the fraternal Cuban people in the common struggle against U.S. imperialism, the common enemy, and for the victory of the cause of Marxism-Leninism.

Let me once again warmly welcome the revolutionary comrades of Cuba, who have covered thousands of miles to come here, and propose a toast to the unity of the socialist camp and the solidarity of the international communist movement, to world peace, to the everlasting friendship and solidarity between the peoples of Korea and Cuba, to the health of Comrade Fidel Castro, to the health of Comrade Osvaldo Dorticos, to the health of Comrade Raul Castro, to the health of all the comrades of the Cuban delegation, to the health of all the diplomatic representatives of various countries and to the health of all comrades and friends present here.

Joint Statement Between Korea and Cuba

At the invtation of the Central Committee of the Korean Workers' Party and the Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, a party and government delegation of the Republic of Cuba led by Comrade Osvaldo Dorticos Torrado, President of the Republic of Cuba, paid a goodwill visit to the Democratic People's Republic of Korea from October 26 to 29, 1966.

During its stay in Korea the party and government delegation of the Republic of Cuba held talks with the leaders of the Korean Workers' Party and the Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

Present at the talks on behalf of the Central Committee of the Korean Workers' Party and the Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea were Comrade Kim Il Sung, General Secretary of the Central Committee of the Korean Workers' Party and Premier of the Cabinet of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea; Comrade Choi Yong Kun, Member of the Political Committee and its Presidium and Secretary of the Central Committee of the KWP and President of the Presidium of the Supreme People's Assembly of the DPRK; Comrade Kim Il, Member of the Political Committee and its Presidium and Secretary of the Central Committee of the KWP and First Vice-premier of the Cabinet; Comrade Pak Keum Chul, Member of the Political Committee and its Presidium and Secretary of the Central Committee of the KWP; Comrade Kim Kwang Hyup, Member of the Political Committee and its Presidium and Secretary of the Central Committee of the KWP and Vice-premier of the Cabinet; Comrade Kim Chang Bong, Member of the Political Committee of the Central Committee of the KWP and Vice-premier of the Cabinet and Minister of National Defense; Comrade Pak Sung Chul, Member of the Political Committee of the Central Committee of the KWP and Vice-premier of the Cabinet and Minister of Foreign Affairs; and Comrade Pak Yong Kook, Candidate Member of the Political Committee and Secretary of the Central Committee of the KWP.

Present at the talks on behalf of the Central Committee of the Cuban Communist Party and the Revolutionary Government of the Republic of Cuba were Comrade Osvaldo Dorticos Torrado, Member of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the Cuban Communist Party and President of the Republic of Cuba, and Comrade Raul Castro Ruz, Member of the Political Bureau and Second Secretary of the Central Committee of the CP of Cuba and Vice-premier and Minister of Revolutionary Armed Forces of the Revolutionary Government; and Comrade Sergio Del Valle, Member of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the CP of Cuba and Vice-minister of Revolutionary Armed Forces of the Revolutionary Government.

The talks proceeded in a friendly comradely atmosphere.

At the talks views were exchanged on the current situation and questions arising in the international communist movement, questions on strengthening friendship and solidarity of the peoples of the two countries and other questions of common concern.

The two sides reached complete identity of views on the questions discussed.

In face of the growth of the revolutionary movement of the peoples and forces of socialism, the imperialists headed by U.S. imperialism are aggravating the international situation to the extreme by desperately trying to find a way out of their imminent doom in aggression and war.

The two delegations are of the unanimous view that the policies drawn up by the Parties and Governments of the two countries to cope with the development of the current international situation are correct.

The Cuban delegation pays high tribute to the successes the Korean people have scored in socialist revolution and socialist construction under the leadership of the Korean Workers' Party headed by Comrade Kim Il Sung. The Korean people have converted their once backward country into a developed socialist industrial-agricultural state through the Chullima movement.

In face of the situation created in recent years, the Korean Workers' Party is further consolidating, politically, economically and militarily, the revolutionary base in the northern half of the country by carrying on economic construction in parallel with defense upbuilding.

The military line of the Party, the main content of which is to place the entire people under arms, turn the whole land into a fortress, train the army into an army of cadres and modernize it, is being pushed through successfully.

The Cuban delegation considers that all this constitutes a solid material guarantee for the self-dependent unification of Korea and makes the eastern post of the socialist camp an impregnable fortress.

The Cuban delegation denounces the U.S. imperialists who, usurping the signboard of the United Nations, are occupying South Korea and pursuing a policy of converting it into a colony and military base and are preparing a new war against the Korean people, and fully supports the struggle of the Korean people for the self-dependent unification of the country.

The U.S. troops must be withdrawn from South Korea without delay, the United Nations must dissolve the so-called "United Nations Commission for the Unification and Rehabilitation of Korea" and the question of Korea's unification should be solved by the Korean people themselves by peaceful means on a democratic basis, without any interference from outside.

The Korean delegation highly praises the Cuban people who, under the leadership of the Cuban Communist Party headed by Comrade Fidel Castro, are defending the gains of revolution and building socialism with success, standing face to face with U.S. imperialism and courageously repelling its ceaseless aggression and subversive manoeuvres of all forms, with a rifle in one hand and a hammer and sickle in the other.

The victory of the Cuban revolution was the first victory of socialist revolution in Latin America. As the continuation of the Great October Revolution in Latin America, it was a historical event marking a new turn in the revolutionary struggle of the people there.

The Republic of Cuba is the advance post of the socialist camp in the Western Hemisphere.

Frightened by the victory of the Cuban revolution and its support to the liberation movement of the Latin American people, the U.S. imperialists are persisting in their vicious machinations to strangulate the Cuban revolution.

Under such condition, the Korean delegation regards it a sacred internationalist obligation of all the socialist countries and the Latin American peoples to defend the Cuban revolution. To defend the Cuban revolution is to defend the socialist camp, develop the revolutionary movement in Latin America and defend the interests of the world revolution.

Today the Cuban people, all armed and united as one, are ready to smash resolutely any aggression of the imperialists, holding high the banner of revolution and under the slogan. "Motherland or death! We will win!"

The Korean delegation sternly denounces the uninterrupted aggressive manoeuvres of the U.S. imperialists against Cuba and actively supports the just struggle of the Cuban people. The U.S. imperialists must discontinue at once all their aggressive moves against Cuba.

Both delegations consider that the struggle against U.S. imperialism is the main international task of all the progressive people of the world at the present juncture. The U.S. imperialists are perpetrating aggression and subversive activities against the socialist countries and national independent countries, brutally suppressing the revolutionary struggle of the Asian, African and Latin American peoples and harassing peace everywhere in the world.

While escalating the war in Vietnam stage by stage, the U.S. imperialists are hard at work to expand the flames of war to the vast area of Asia.

The struggle of the Vietnamese people against U.S. imperialist aggression is the focus of the anti-imperialist struggle at present. The U.S. imperialists' aggression on Vietnam is an aggression not only against the Vietnamese people but also against the entire socialist camp, a challenge to the national liberation struggle of the Asian, African and Latin American peoples and a menace to world peace.

Both sides consider that the socialist countries, the communist and workers' parties, all the anti-imperialist forces in the world should unite and actively assist the Vietnamese people in their war of resistance against U.S. imperialism for national salvation and shatter the imperialist aggression.

The socialist countries should dispatch international contingents of volunteers to aid the fighting Vietnamese people.

The war of resistance against U.S. imperialism for national salvation waged heroically by the Vietnamese people is an example for the world people in the struggle for peace, national independence and socialism.

Both delegations express full, militant solidarity with the fraternal North and South Vietnamese people who are winning brilliant victories and displaying unexampled heroism in the sacred struggle against U.S. imperialists' aggression and once again declare their firm determination to send volunteers at any time the Vietnamese people request it.

The Vietnam question must be solved only on the basis of the four-point demand of the Government of the Vietnam Democratic Republic and the five-point principle of the South Vietnam National Front for Liberation. The U.S. imperialists must stop at once the war of aggression in South Vietnam and the bombing of the Vietnam Democratic Republic and withdraw forthwith the U.S. troops and the troops of their satellite countries and the South Korean puppet troops as well as all their weapons. The Vietnam question must be solved by the Vietnamese people themselves.

The two sides condemn the U.S. imperialists who have recently called their satellite countries and puppets to Manila and hatched a plot to further escalate the Vietnam war under the deceptive slogan of "peaceful negotiations."

The two delegations consider that under the condition in which the U.S. imperialists are escalating the war of aggression in Vietnam stage by stage, the struggle against U.S. imperialism and for assisting the Vietnamese people should likewise be waged in a more organized manner and escalated on a world scale.

The two delegations unanimously hold that for this it is necessary, first of all, to achieve international anti-imperialist joint action and form an anti-imperialist united front.

To preserve peace and ensure the victory of the cause of national independence and socialism, we must deal blows at the U.S. imperialists everywhere they are in the world and on all fronts and bind them hand and foot so that they can not ride roughshod.

When the U.S. imperialists are thus dealt decisive blows, their fate will be like the sun setting in the west and the revolutionary movements will upsurge further in Asia, Africa, Latin America and the rest of the world.

The two delegations express firm solidarity with the Asian, African and Latin American peoples fighting against imperialism, colonialism and neo-colonialism and for national liberation.

The two sides support the struggle of the Japanese people against U.S. imperialism and the monopoly forces of Japan and back the peoples of Laos and Cambodia in the struggle against the aggression and intervention of U.S. imperialism and its stooges.

Both sides strongly condemn the Indonesian right wing reactionary forces who, under the instigation of U.S. imperialism, are suppressing and massacring communists and democratic forces of Indonesia, and express solidarity with the struggle of the progressive forces including the Indonesian communists for national independence and the democratic development of the country.

The two sides express support to and solidarity with the armed struggles and revolutionary movements now being waged in many countries of Latin America including Venezuela, Guatemala and Colombia.

The two sides express support to and solidarity with the national liberation struggles of the African people including those of Portuguese Guinea and Angola.

The two sides consider that for safeguarding world peace, struggle must be waged against the allies of U.S. imperialism, particularly against the regeneration of Japanese and West German militarism into hotbeds of new war in Asia and Europe, along with the struggle against U.S.

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against imperialism.

The Korean people express deep respect to the Cuban people for their heroic exploits in socialist revolution and socialist construction and for the signal role played by them in revolution in Latin America.

The Cuban people waged an interrupted liberation struggle against the harsh tyranny of U.S. imperialism and its stooge, the Batista dictatorial regime, and for freedom and national independence.

Through their heroic struggle the Cuban revolutionaries showed the whole world that the hearts of the Cuban people had not stopped but were beating high under the cruel oppression of the imperialists and their stooges and that the dawn of freedom and liberation was breaking over the land of Cuba.

On Jan. 1, 1959, the revolutionaries of Cuba, in close contact with workers and citizens of Havana, eventually overthrew U.S. imperialism and its lackey the Batista dictatorial regime and won great victory in the Cuban revolution.

The revolutionaries of Cuba once again clearly showed the peoples of the American continent and the world that a people who have risen up in arms for freedom and independence can certainly defeat any imperialists, however strong they may be.

Comrade Kim Il Sung said: **"The victory of the Cuban revolution is the first victory of socialist revolution won under the very nose of the United States, it is a continuation of the Great October Revolution in Latin America. It is a historic event that expanded the socialist camp to the Western Hemisphere and thereby brought about a new turning point in the revolutionary movement in Latin America. The Republic of Cuba has become a base of revolution in Latin America."**

Since the victory of the revolution, the Cuban people under the correct guidance of the Cuban Communist Party and the revolutionary Government headed by Comrade Fidel Castro, have been confidently advancing among the vanguards of the anti-imperialist struggle, holding aloft the banner of revolution. The Cuban people are safeguarding their motherland and energetically building socialism in difficult conditions, valiantly repulsing the ceaseless aggressive acts and subversive machinations of U.S. imperialism and its stooges.

The Revolutionary Government of Cuba has laid a firm foundation for the development of agriculture and livestock breeding by liquidating the old relations of production and enforcing land reform in the countryside and is strenuously fighting for the construction of a socialist industry.

Today industry and agriculture of Cuba are being steadily consolidated and developed. Splendid achievements have also been made in the sphere of education, culture and public health.

The Cuban people are leading a new, hope-filled happy life without any worry.

The Cuban people have become the first in Latin America to be completely freed from the centuries-old exploitation and social inequality and ensured human rights and dignity.

Cuba has become a country that has completely done away with the imperialist domination of all forms, won complete sovereignty, laid the foundation of economic development and is building a prosperous, new society

All these socio-economic changes that have taken place in Cuba and the shining successes scored by the Cuban people are brilliant fruition of the correct guidance of the Cuban Communist Party and the Revolutionary Government headed by Comrade Fidel Castro and the indomitable struggle of the heroic Cuban people.

The Korean people sincerely rejoice, as over their own, over the victory of the Cuban people and rest assured that the Cuban people will achieve greater victory in the future, valiantly overcoming all the obstacles in their way.

The victorious advance of the Cuban revolution and the remarkable achievements of the Cuban people add to increasing the might of the socialist camp and give great impetus to the Latin American people in their liberation struggle for independence and progress.

The Cuban people are commanding the deep trust and respect of the world revolutionary people for their resolute anti-imperialist struggle and fidelity to proletarian internationalism and the international prestige of Cuba is steadily rising.

Since the first day of the victory of the Cuban revolution the U.S. imperialists have been committing aggressive and subversive machinations by every possible means in an attempt to strangulate it and to check the influence of the Cuban revolution on the Latin American people.

The Cuban people, who, through their heroic struggle, have already repulsed the U.S. imperialists' armed aggression many times and won great victory, are now filled with the determination to fight against the invaders to the last bullet, and to the last man under the militant slogan, "Fatherland or death! We will win!"

If the U.S. imperialists continue to resort to aggressive and provocative machinations against Cuba, defying the warning of the Cuban people and the unanimous denunciation of the world peace-loving people, they will be unable to escape final defeat.

The struggle of the Cuban people against U.S. imperialist aggressors is a struggle for safeguarding the outpost of socialism in Latin America and just struggle for defending the interests of revolution in Latin America and the world.

It is quite natural that the struggle of the Cuban people should command active support and encouragement of the countries of the socialist camp and revolutionary peoples of Latin America and the rest of the world.

Our Party and people regard it as a sacred internationalist duty of the countries of the socialist camp and

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of the globe.

Our two countries are both small.

Both of us have a bitter past.

We have fought against the common enemy. The peoples of our two countries have the common aim of building a new life under the leadership of the parties guided by Marxism-Leninism.

The peoples of our two countries fully understand each other. Even at very complicated and difficult times our peoples speak, as it were, with the same ideology politically. Our friendship based on the norms governing the mutual relations between the fraternal parties and socialist countries is further strengthening and developing as the days go by.

The peoples of our two countries support each other in all problems facing us and the relations between our two parties and two governments are based on sincerity and purity.

Whenever the Cuban people found themselves in a difficult situation, they enjoyed the firm, resolute support of the fraternal Korean people. This support of the Korean people has been unfailing and is steadily strengthening as the days go by.

Similarly, the Cuban people support the just struggle of the Korean people for driving the foreign troops out of South Korea and realizing the self-dependent unification of the country free from any outside interference.

We also support the struggle o the South Korean people against the Pak Jung Hi fascist clique.

Recently the Korean communists held a Conference of the Korean Workers' Party, which is of great significance in their party life.

Our views on questions arising in the present international situation coincide with the report made by Comrade Kim Il Sung at the Conference of the Korean Workers' Party.

The recent Conference of the Korean Workers' Party instilled into our hearts the great enthusiasm for firmly adhering at all times to the principles of Marxism Leninism and propelling forward the protracted and arduous revolutionary struggle for overthrowing imperialism, marching forward shoulder to shoulder with the Korean brothers and all the peoples of the world.

At the Party Conference Comrade Kim Il Sung expressed great solidarity with Cuba.

These words of encouragement and support have not only further deepened our friendship and made it more unbreakable but also become encouragement in further strengthening the revolutionary struggle.

This is because the Korean brothers expressed their trust in and decisive internationalist support to us.

Such stand of the Korean friends is an example in developing the militant solidarity of the Asian, African and Latin American peoples and a contribution to hastening the doom of U.S. imperialism.

We are pleased with the fact that the Korean people under the leadership of their Party are effecting a new upsurge in socialist construction and pushing ahead economic construction in parallel with defense upbuilding.

This makes the steady advance of the Korean revolution most secure and sound.

I consider that this is of great significance not only for the Korean people but also for all the peoples of the socialist camp.

Because, only by so doing can the eastern outpost of the socialist camp be more secure.

We will remember forever the manifestations of the daily growing friendship you express to our people. Availing myself of this opportunity, I convey to you the communist and militant fraternal greetings of the people, Government and Communist Party of Cuba and especially of Comrade Fidel Castro, the leader of our revolution, who is far away from here.

Dear friends of Korea,

I cannot conclude my speech without referring to the Vietnamese people, one of the most heroic peoples of the

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imperialism, number one enemy of the world people.

The two delegations consider that it is important at the present juncture to strengthen the unity of the socialist camp and the cohesion of the international communist movement.

Only when united and consolidated, can the socialist camp and the international communist movement effectively check the imperialist policies of aggression and war and give a powerful impetus to the acceleration of the world revolutionary movement.

The unity of the socialist camp and the solidarity of the international communist movement must be based on the principles of Marxism-Leninism and proletarian internationalism.

All the parties should abide by the norms governing the mutual relations among the fraternal parties and fraternal countries, which were laid down in the Declaration and Statement of the 1957 and 1960 Meetings of Representatives of Various Communist and Workers' Parties. These norms governing the mutual relations among the parties must be based on the independency of each party.

The Parties and Governments of Korea and Cuba have alway adhered to the norms of the mutual relations among the fraternal parties and fraternal countries and have striven and are striving for the unity of the socialist camp and the solidarity of the international communist movement.

The Korean Workers' Party and the Cuban Communist Party will continue to abide by the principle of seeking solidarity, firmly upholding independency in the relations with the fraternal parties and fraternal countries.

The two parties will resolutely fight for upholding the purity of Marxism-Leninism.

The two delegations express satisfaction with the fact that the relations between the parties, governments and peoples of Korea and Cuba formed in the struggle against U.S. imperialism, the common enemy, are excellent and are daily strengthening and developing on the principles of Marxism-Leninism and proletarian internationalism.

The visit of the party and government delegation of the Republic of Cuba to the Democratic People's Republic of Korea has greatly contributed to further strengthening the fraternal friendship and solidarity between the two Parties, two Governments and two peoples.

The two delegations are convinced that the result of the talks between the two delegations will contribute not only to developing the friendly relations between the peoples of Korea and Cuba who are fighting against imperialism and for the common revolutionary cause but also to consolidating the unity of the socialist camp and cohesion of the international communist movement.

The Cuban delegation, in the name of the Government and Communist Party of Cuba, invited Comrade Kim Il Sung and Comrade Choi Yong Kun to visit Cuba. The invitation was extended also in the name of Comrade Fidel Castro.

Comrade Kim Il Sung and Comrade Choi Yong Kun accepted the invitation with thanks.

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peoples of Latin America to defend the Cuban revolution from the imperialist agression.

Comrade Kim Il Sung pointed out: **"The socialist countries should unstintedly support the brotherly Cuban people in their revolutionary cause, safeguard the revolution in Cuba and render positive assistance to the socialist construction in that country.**

We communists who consider the interests of revolution the supreme law cannot act otherwise with regard to Cuba."

Revolution in each country is carried out by the people themselves and led by the Marxist-Leninist party of that country.

The Communist Party of Cuba knows the Cuban question better than anyone else, and it is the Communist Party of Cuba and no one else that can map out correct policies to suit the demands of the Cuban revolution.

Our Party and people fully support the just stand of the Communist Party of Cuba which, under the uplifted banner of revolution, resolutely opposes U.S. imperialism and correctly leads revolution and construction in Cuba and strives for the unity of the socialist camp and the cohesion of the international communist movement.

U.S. imperialism is the most heinous common enemy of the peoples of Korea and Cuba.

The war provocation manoeuvres of the U.S. imperialists still occupying the southern part of our country have become ever more undisguised of late.

They have brought into South Korea atomic weapons, guided missiles and other new type weapons and are incessantly conducting provocations against the northern part of our Republic.

The Pak Jung Hi clique of South Korea is running wild in a new war preparation and has already taken part in the U.S. war of aggression in Vietnam, at the instructions of U.S. imperialism.

The U.S. imperialists knocked together the Japanese militalists and the Pak Jung Hi clique to sign the "South Korea-Japan Treaty" in order to use South Kerea more effectively for their Asian aggression and are trying to knock into shape an integrated "anti-communist military alliance" with the treaty as its backbone by whipping together their satellite countries and stooges in Asia.

The Conference of the Korean Workers' Party held recently resolved to continue to carry through the Party's line on combining economic construction with national defense buildup, which was outlined already in 1962 in face of the prevailing situation.

We are directing greater effort to defense buildup so as to strengthen our defense like an iron wall even if this means a certain delay in the economic development in the country.

We have already attained great successes by thoroughly carrying through our Party's military line to make our army into an army of cadres, modernize it, place the entire people under arms and turn the whole country into fortress.

Our people are powerfully pushing ahead with both economic construction and defense buildup.

Our People's Army and the entire people are fully prepared to deal crushing blows and thoroughly wipe out the enemies whenever and wherever they may invade our country.

We sternly warn the U.S. imperialists and the Pak Jung Hi clique not to ride roughshod.

The U.S. imperialists must pull out of South Korea at once.

The question of Korea's unification must be solved by the Korean people themselves without any outside interference.

Korea's unification is an internal affair of Korea, brooking no interference from outside.

The Cuban people actively encourage and invariably support the struggle of the Korean people for building socialism, withdrawing U.S. troops from South Korea and realizing the self-dependent unification of the country by peaceful means.

Allow me to extend, on behalf of the Korean Workers' Party, the Government of the Republic and the entire Korean people, deep thanks to the Communist Party, the Revolutionary Government and the revolutionary people of Cuba for their support to the revolutionary cause of our people.

Comrades.

Today, U.S. imperialists are intensifying the manoeuvres of aggression and war against the socialist countries, the national independent countries in Asia, Africa and Latin America and against the national liberation movement of the people in these regions, and are disturbing peace in all parts of the world.

The U.S. imperialists are expanding on big scale the flames of the aggressive war against the Vietnamese people in Asia.

The recent "Manila Conference" stage-managed by the U.S. imperialists is a new provocative machination to draw more their satellite and puppet troops into the aggressive war against the Vietnamese people and further escalate it.

This shows that the U.S. imperialist policy of "escalation of war" in Vietnam is becoming ever more reckless as the days go by.

The U.S. imperialists' aggression on Vietnam is an aggression not only against the Vietnamese people but also against the socialist camp and a challenge to the national liberation movement and a threat to world peace.

U.S. imperialism is the ringleader of war and aggression, the strangulator of the national liberation movement and the most heinous enemy of the world people.

To fight against U.S. imperialism is today the most urgent task of the countries of the socialist camp, the peoples of Asia, Africa and Latin America and the peace-loving people of the world over.

Only by resolutely fighting against U.S. imperialism, can world peace be safeguarded, national independence be consolidated and the revolutionary struggle of the peoples be pushed ahead victoriously.

While struggling against U.S. imperialism we should fight against Japanese and West German militarism which has revived and rearmed under the active patronage of U.S. imperialism and has made appearance in Asia and Europe as dangerous force of aggression.

Today the Japanese militarist force, with the backing and active patronage of U.S. imperialism, has not only mapped out the plans of war to invade Korea and other Asian nations but already started stretching its tentacles of aggression.

The obtainining situation demands that in face of the aggression and war escalation manoeuvres of the U.S.-led imperialists, all the progressive forces of the world including the socialist camp, the international communist movement, the working class movement and the national liberation movement unite firmly and form an anti-imperialist joint front and wage a vigorous struggle against the imperialist aggressors.

The socialist countries, though there are differences on a number of questions, must, first of all, pool their strength in rendering every form of assistance including the dispatch of volunteers to the Vietnamese people who are fighting against U.S. imperialism, shedding their blood.

All the socialist countries have the internationalist duty to support and encourage by every means the Vietnamese people fighting against the U.S. imperialists' aggression.

The Korean people, regarding the aggression of U.S. imperialism against Vietnam as one against themselves, are filled with the firm determination to fight together with the brotherly Vietnamese people. We are fully prepared to send volunteers at any time requested by the Vietnamese people.

We will, also in the future, fight resolutely for the unity of the socialist camp and the solidarity of the international communist movement continuously upholding the banner of Marxism-Leninism, and march ahead firmly hand in hand with the world people in the struggle against imperialism.

Comrades and Friends.

The peoples of Korea and Cuba are comrades-in-arms and brothers who are united in the struggle for realizing the common goal and common ideal.

The Korean people are proud to have a people like the Cuban people, courageous, intrepid and loyal to revolutionary duty, as their comrades-in-arms and brothers.

The peoples of our two countries understand better and closely cooperate with each other, because both of them have parts of their territories occupied by U.S. imperialism and are building socialism, standing face to face with it.

The friendship and solidarity between the peoples of our two countries which are strengthening and developing as the days go by on the principles of Marxism-Leninism and proletarian internationalism, constitute an example in the relations between fraternal parties and fraternal countries.

The current visit of the Cuban party and government delegation led by Comrade Osvaldo Dorticos will make a great contribution to further expanding and developing the relations of friendship and cooperation between the peoples of our two countries.

Our people will march ahead forever together with the heroic Cuban people in the struggle for the victory of the cause of peace, national independence and socialism.

Long live the everlasting friendship and solidarity between the Korean and Cuban peoples!

Long live the unity of the socialist camp!

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world.

Our people, like the Korean people, regard the struggle of the Vietnamese people as their own.

The Korean and Cuban peoples regard the imperialist aggression against Vietnam as aggression against the socialist camp.

Like the Korean people, Government and the Workers' Party of Korea, the Cuban people, Government and Communist Party of Cuba are resolved to send their volunteers to Vietnam to fight shoulder to shoulder with the heroic Vietnamese people when requested by the Government of the Vietnam Democratic Republic.

As we talk about the question of defending peace, we think that peace can be defended only by aiding the struggle of the Vietnamese people first of all.

In order to defend peace, we consider that the imperialist robbers must be bound hand and foot in Vietnam in the first place.

We think that every necesary assistance, military, economic, political and moral, should be given to Vietnam.

We consider it very important problem that the Vietnamese people should be allowed to do their own thinking, while we give all necesary assistance to them.

But certain people, while giving aid to the Vietnamese people, instruct the people, Government and Party of Vietnam to do this or that.

We consider that the Vietnamese people have the right to evaluate by themselves the aid rendered them and that they are capable of thinking their own way whatever necessary for them.

The genuine revolutionary stand is to give unconditional support to Vietnam.

While assisting the Vietnamese people in the struggle, the revolutionaries should, at the same time, fight against imperialism in every way in all parts of the world.

The revolutionaries also fight for peace.

We consider, however, that the most effective means of defending peace is to wage an open struggle against U.S. imperialism.

We take this view just like the Korean people, the Korean Workers' Party and the Government of Korea. We also underscore the deep friendship between the peoples of our two countries.

If anyone wants to know how the Cuban people think, ask the Korean people. Then you will have the answer. If anyone wants to know how the Communist Party of Cuba think, ask the Korean Workers' Party. Then you will know that the Cuban Party thinks as the Korean Party does.

If anyone wants to know what Comrade Fidel Castro thinks about the basic problems of our times, ask Comrade Kim Il Sung. Then you will know that Comrade Fidel Castro thinks exactly the same as Comrade Kim Il Sung.

Long live the communist, militant friendship between the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the Republic of Cuba!

Long live the heroic people of Vietnam North and South!

Long live the unity of the socialist camp and the cohesion of the international communist movement!

Long live the indestructible friendship between the Workers' Party of Korea and the Communist Party of Cuba!

Long live dear Comrade Kim Il Sung, the faithful friend of the Cuban people!

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